

Codes on the California Aid Report (CAR)



Below are explanations of codes which may appear on your CAR.

I or IA - Qualified Applicant

You are eligible for both a Cal Grant A and a Cal Grant B. The award that shows an award amount was selected for you because it should give you the most benefit over the life of the grant. If you would rather be considered for the other grant listed, you should meet with a college financial aid counselor. If you decide to make a change, please do so as soon as possible. Changes in grant program type will not be made after an initial payment has been disbursed. You may submit your change request on the New Recipient Change Form sent with this letter. You may not receive benefits in more than one Cal Grant program at the same time.

CC Reserve

You have been offered a Cal Grant A award and indicated that you will be attending a Community College (CC). Cal Grant A CC awards may be held in reserve for up to two years or three-years upon request. Please notify the Commission when you transfer to a four-year or two-year tuition or fee-charging school to activate your grant.

7, 9, II - School Not Eligible for Cal Grant A, B, or C

The school does not participate in the Cal Grant program indicated. If you will be attending a school other than the one listed, submit documentation to the Commission within 30 days from the date of this CAR.

16 - Reported Income Over the Ceiling

Cal Grant A and C Recipients—Income ceilings for dependent students, and independent students with dependents other than a spouse are:

- \$60,000 for a family of two;
- \$61,400 for a family of three;
- \$66,700 for a family of four;
- \$71,500 for a family of five;
- \$77,100 for a family of six or more.

Cal Grant A and C Recipients—Income ceilings for independent students without dependents are:

- \$24,500 if single; or,
- \$28,000 if married.

Cal Grant B Recipients—Income ceilings are:

- \$24,500 for a single student;
- \$28,000 for a family of two;
- \$31,500 for a family of three;
- \$35,100 for a family of four;
- \$39,200 for a family of five;
- \$42,400 for a family of six or more.

17 - Reported Assets Over the Ceiling

Net assets for dependent students are calculated using parents' assets only. Home equity is not used in determining assets.

Cal Grant A, B and C Recipients -Asset ceiling for dependent, or independent with dependents other than spouse:

- \$51,600

For independent students without dependents other than a spouse:

- \$24,600

19 - Financial Need Below Requirement for Award

The difference between your anticipated school costs and your expected family contribution was not sufficient to qualify you for an award. If your school choice changes and you plan to attend a more expensive school, you may request that the Commission reevaluate your financial eligibility for a grant using the new school's cost of attendance.

To request reconsideration, submit one of the following within 30 days of the date of your CAR: a New Recipient Change Form (enclosed), a Grant Record Change Form for Students (G-10), or a letter to the Commission. Indicate whether you will live on campus, off campus or at home with parents or relatives. The Commission will notify you of the results of your request.

71, 72, 73 - No Remaining Program Eligibility

Cal Grant payments are limited to the equivalent of eight semesters or 12 quarters of college attendance. You are not eligible to receive a Cal Grant because you have exhausted your program eligibility.

If you think you should be eligible for additional payment, you may request a review of your eligibility.

99 - GPA Below Minimum

Applicants for a Cal Grant A or B must meet minimum GPA requirements. The minimum GPA for Cal Grant A is 3.00. The minimum GPA for Cal Grant B is 2.00.

Cal Grant A, B, C and T Recipients

Cal Grant A and B awards are offered for the equivalent of a standard four-year, full-time undergraduate program. Your grant payment will be prorated to a lower amount if you enroll for half-time or three-quarter-time status. Students enrolled in mandatory five-year programs may receive an additional year of Cal Grant payment. The school you attend can tell you whether your program of study qualifies as a mandatory five-year program. Cal Grant C payments are made for the length of your program of study, but may not exceed the equivalent of two academic years. Cal Grant T benefits are paid for the equivalent of one full-time academic year.

Cal Grant C Technical/Vocational Applicants

2 - Financially Eligible Applicant

You are financially eligible for a Cal Grant C. However, you have not been selected because additional conditions must be met before an award offer can be made. To receive Cal Grant C consideration, you must decline any Cal Grant A or B award you have been offered within 30 days of receiving your first CAR. You must withdraw within 30 days from receipt of your CAR. Please consult with your college financial aid counselor before deciding to turn down a Cal Grant A or B in order to compete for a Cal Grant C award. Program withdrawals are irrevocable.

74 - Ineligible Course of Study or Degree/Certificate

Eligibility for the Cal Grant C program is based on your intent to enroll in a vocational or technical program. It was determined from your answer to Question 29 on the FAFSA that you do not meet this requirement.